

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Department of Forestry and Fire Protection EXAMINATION ANNOUNCEMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER II, RESOURCES AGENCY DEPARTMENTAL PROMOTIONAL



CALIFORNIA STATE GOVERNMENT - AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER - EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO ALL REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, CREED, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, SEX, MARITAL STATUS, DISABILITY, RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION, AGE, OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.

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IT IS AN OBJECTIVE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO ACHIEVE A DRUG-FREE STATE WORKPLACE. ANY APPLICANT FOR STATE EMPLOYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED TO BEHAVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS OBJECTIVE, BECAUSE THE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE, THE RULES GOVERNING CIVIL SERVICE, AND THE SPECIAL TRUST PLACED IN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

DEPARTMENTAL FOR

Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

POSITIONS EXIST

Statewide

WHO SHOULD APPLY

Applicants who meet the minimum qualifications as stated on the reverse side. This is a departmental promotional examination for the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

- 1. Applicants must have a permanent civil service appointment with the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection as of **March 5**, **2009**, the final filing date, in order to participate in this examination; or
- 2. Must be a current or former employee of the Legislature for two or more consecutive years as defined in Government Code Section 18990; or
- Must be a current or former non-elected exempt employee of the Executive Branch for two or more consecutive years as defined in Government Code Section 18992; or
- 4. Must be a person retired from the United States military, honorably discharged from active military duty with a service-connected disability, or honorably discharged from active duty as defined in Government Code Section 18991.

For persons who are interested in applying that meet the criteria for either items 2, 3, or 4 above, and examinations are given by more than one department for the same classification, you must select one department in which to compete. Once this selection is made, it cannot be changed for the duration of the promotional list established from the examination in which the person participated. Employees may transfer list eligibility between departments in the same manner as provided for state civil service employees.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications (STD 678) are available through the internet at http://www.spb.ca.gov and at the testing office shown below. Applications (STD 678) may be delivered in person or by mail. **Note:** Applications will-not be accepted via e-mail. DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD. Please submit:

By Mail to:

Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Exam Unit – (Attn: Rosalie Turbeville) P.O. Box 944246

Sacramento, California 94244-2460

In Person to:

Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Exam Unit – (Attn: Rosalie Turbeville) 1300 U Street Sacramento, California 95818

CROSS FILING INFORMATION

If you meet the entrance requirements for this class and Administrative Officer I, Resources Agency, and/or Administrative Officer III, Resources Agency, scheduled on the same day, you may file for one or more examinations on a single application. Put the title(s) of each examination(s) you wish to take on the application.

FINAL FILING DATE

Applications must be postmarked no later than **March 5, 2009**. Applications postmarked after the final filing date will not be accepted for any reason.

EXAMINATION DATES

Qualifications Appraisal Interview: It is anticipated that interviews will be held during May/June 2009.

SALARY RANGE

\$4622 to \$5576

SPECIAL TESTING ARRANGEMENTS

If you have a disability and need special testing arrangements, mark the appropriate box in Part 2 of the application. You will be contacted to make specific arrangements.

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION

A departmental promotional eligible list will be established for the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. This list will be abolished 12 months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION

All applicants must meet the education and/or experience requirements for this examination by **March 5, 2009**, the final filing date.

NOTE: Accepted applicants are required to bring either a photo identification card or two forms of signed identification to each phase of the examination.

All applications/resumes must include "from" and "to" employment dates (month/day/year), time base, and applicable civil service class titles. Applications/resumes received without this information will be rejected.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Qualifying experience may be combined on a proportionate basis if the requirements stated include more than one pattern and are distinguished as "Either" I, "Or" II, "Or" III, etc. For example, candidates possessing qualifying experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern I, and additional experience amounting to 50% of the required time of Pattern II, may be admitted to the examination as meeting 100% of the overall experience requirement.

"Either" I

Experience: One year of experience in the California state service performing staff duties such as fiscal management, budgeting, administrative analysis, personnel, or business services of a class at a level of responsibility not less than that of an Administrative Officer I, Resources Agency, Range B.

"Or" II

Experience: Three years of increasingly responsible experience in one or a combination of the following fields: fiscal management, budgeting, administrative analysis, personnel, or business service administration. (Experience in the California state service applied toward this requirement must have included one year performing the duties of a class at a level of responsibility not less than that of an Administrative Officer I, Resources Agency, Range B.)

and

Education: Equivalent to graduation from college, preferably with a major in public or business administration. (Additional qualifying experience may be substituted for the required education on a year-for-year basis.)

Note: Applicants qualifying under Pattern II above must provide a copy of their four-year degree or a copy of their transcripts indicating a degree was obtained.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

The Administrative Officer II, Resources Agency is the first or second supervisory level in this series. Incumbents in this class have responsibility for multiple administrative staff functions in a region or unit. This class is typically in charge of a staff of clerical, technical, and professional personnel assigned to carry out staff services functions.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION

The examination will consist of a qualifications appraisal interview weighted 100%. The interview will include a number of predetermined job-related questions. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained in the interview. COMPETITORS WHO DO NOT APPEAR FOR THE INTERVIEW WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.

The department may utilize a structured interview format as conditions warrant.

QUALIFICATIONS APPRAISAL INTERVIEW (Weighted 100%)

Scope:

- A. Knowledge of:
 - 1. Principles, practices, and modern methods of public and business administration with special reference to fiscal and personnel management and budgetary preparation and control.
 - 2. Principles and practices of employer-employee relations.
 - A supervisor's responsibility for promoting equal opportunity in hiring and employee development and promotion, and for maintaining a work environment that is free of discrimination and harassment.
 - 4. Principles and practices of supervision.
 - 5. Principles and practices of general business management.
 - 6. Modern office methods, forms, and equipment.
 - 7. Laws, rules, and regulations governing administrative practices in the California state service.
 - 8. Principles and practices of information dissemination.

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QUALIFICATIONS APPRAISAL INTERVIEW (Weighted 100%) (Cont'd.)

B. Ability to:

- 1. Develop and implement new and revised methods and procedures.
- 2. Analyze administrative problems and complex or sensitive issues.
- 3. Analyze situations accurately and take effective action.
- 4. Plan, organize, and direct the work of others.
- 5. Effectively promote equal opportunity in employment and maintain a work environment that is free of discrimination and harassment.
- 6. Reflect management's position on Labor Relations issues.
- 7. Develop and maintain cooperative and harmonious working relationships.
- 8. Communicate effectively in both verbal and written format.
- 9. Incorporate a broad scope of information and detail into analysis and decision making.
- 10. Manage large scale, complex, and/or sensitive programs.

SPECIAL PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

Demonstrated capacity for assuming increasing administrative responsibility.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE CREDITS AND CAREER CREDITS

Veterans' preference credits and career credits are not granted in promotional examinations.

CONFIDENTIALITY AND SECURITY

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 19680(c) and 19681(b) it is unlawful to copy and/or furnish confidential examination material for the purpose of either improving or injuring the chances of any person or to obtain examination questions or other examination material before, during, or after an examination. Every person violating these provisions is guilty of a misdemeanor, and adverse action will be pursued. This may result in the person being barred from competition in future examinations, withheld from certification lists, or cancellation of eligibility for employment in state civil service.

GENERAL INFORMATION

For an examination without a written feature it is the candidate's responsibility to contact the Examination Unit of the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, (916) 445-7824, three weeks after the final filing date if he/she has not received a progress notice.

If a candidate's notice of written examination or oral interview fails to reach him/her prior to the day of the written test or interview due to a verified postal error, he/she will be rescheduled upon written request.

Applications are available at State Personnel Board offices, local offices of the Employment Development Department, and the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

If you meet the requirements, you may take this examination, which is competitive. Possession of the entrance requirement does not assure a place on the eligible list. Your performance in the examination described on this bulletin will be compared with the performance of the others who take this test, and all candidates who pass will be ranked according to their scores.

The Department of Forestry and Fire Protection reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned changed. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service laws and rules and all competitors will be notified.

Examination Locations: Ordinarily, qualifications appraisal interviews are scheduled in Sacramento and Riverside. However, locations of interviews may be limited or extended as conditions warrant.

Eligible Lists: Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) subdivisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multidepartmental promotional, 4) servicewide promotional, 5) departmental open, 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first. Eligible lists will expire in one to four years unless otherwise stated on this bulletin. In the case of continuous testing examinations, names are merged onto the appropriate lists in order of final test scores (except as modified by veterans' preference credits) regardless of the date of the test and the resulting eligible lists will be used only to fill vacancies in the area shown on the bulletin.

Promotional Examinations Only: Competition is limited to employees who have a permanent civil service appointment. Under certain circumstances other employees may be allowed to compete under provisions of Rules 234, 235, and 235.2. State Personnel Board Rules 233, 234, 235, 235.2, and 237 contain provisions regarding civil service status and eligibility for promotional examinations. These rules may be reviewed at departmental personnel offices or at the Information Counter of the State Personnel Board in Sacramento.

General Qualifications: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, and ability to work cooperatively with others; and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required. In open examinations, investigation may be made of employment records and personal history, and fingerprinting may be required.

Interview Scope: If an interview is conducted, in addition to the scope described on this bulletin, the panel will consider education, experience, personal development, personal traits, and fitness. In appraising experience, more weight will be given to the breadth and recency of pertinent experience and evidence of the candidate's ability to accept and fulfill increasing responsibilities than to the length of his/her experience. Evaluation of a candidate's personal development will include consideration of his/her recognition of his/her own training needs; his/her plan for self-development; and the progress he/she has made in his/her efforts toward self-development.

Veterans' Preference Credits: California law allows granting of veterans' preference credits in open entrance examinations and open-nonpromotional exams. Credit in open entrance examinations is granted as follows: 10 points for veterans, widows and widowers of veterans, and spouses of 100% disabled veterans; and 15 points for disabled veterans. Credit in open-nonpromotional examinations is granted as follows: 5 points for veterans; and 10 points for disabled veterans. Directions for applying for veterans' preference credits are on the Veteran Preference Application (Form 1093) which is available from State Personnel Board offices, written test proctors, and the Department of Veterans Affairs, P.O. Box 942895, Sacramento, CA 94295-0001.

Career Credits: In open-nonpromotional examinations, career credits are granted to: 1) state employees with permanent civil service status, 2) full-time employees of the state who are exempt from state civil service pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of Article VII of the California Constitution, and who meet all qualification requirements specified by the Board and have 12 consecutive months of service in an exempt position, and 3) individuals who have served one full year in or are graduates of the California Conservation Corps (eligibility shall expire 24 months after graduation from the California Conservation Corps). Three points are added to the final test score of those candidates who meet the above criteria, and who are successful in the examination. Such examinations cannot be for managerial positions described in Government Code Section 3513. Competitors not currently employed in state civil service who have mandatory reinstatement rights may also be eligible for career credits, but they must explain their civil service status in the appropriate section of the Examination Application form STD. 678. (Section 4 of Article VII of the California Constitution is posted at the State Personnel Board, 801 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, California.)

High School Equivalence: Equivalence to completion of the 12th grade may be demonstrated in any one of the following ways: 1) passing the General Education Development (GED) Test; 2) completion of 12 semester units of college-level work; 3) certification from the State Department of Education, a local school board, or high school authorities that the candidate is considered to have education equivalent to graduation from high school; or 4) for clerical and accounting classes, substitution of business college work in place of high school on a year-for-year basis.